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TOUCH COMPETITION

The South Pacific Games 2003 provided an opportunity to bring together Touch playing nations within the South Pacific Region to showcase the skill and talent of the Touch Communities within these countries.

This competition is the catalyst that ignited the competitive spirit of the participants and caused the formation of the South Pacific Island Nations Touch Confederation which will meet in bi-annual competition

These results and statistics are the beginning of the History of this Confederation



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Men Winners	
Gold	Fiji
Silver	PNG
Bronze	Samoa
4th	Tuvalu
5th	Niue
6th	Tonga
7th	Tahiti

Mixed Winners	
Gold	Fiji
Silver	Cook Islands
Bronze	PNG
4th	Samoa
5th	Niue



SOUTH PACIFIC GAMES - TOUCH COMPETITION

Veiuto Primary School, Suva, Fiji

Mens Teams Fiji
 Niue
 PNG
 Samoa
 Tahiti
 Tonga
 Tuvalu

Mixed Teams Fiji
 Cook Islands
 Niue
 PNG
 Samoa

Monday 7th July 2003

10:00am	Men	Gr. 1	Tuvalu	10	Tahiti	1
	Men	Gr. 2	Fiji	6	PNG	7
11:00am	Men	Gr. 1	Tonga	1	Samoa	4
	Men		Niue	-	Bye	
12:00pm	Mixed	Gr. 1	Niue	7	PNG	4
	Mixed	Gr. 2	Cook Islands	5	Fiji	4
	Mixed		Samoa	-	Bye	
1:00pm	Men's		Tahiti	0	Fiji	20
2:00pm	Men's	Gr. 1	PNG	6	Tonga	1
	Men's	Gr. 2	Samoa	2	Niue	0
	Men's		Tuvalu	-	Bye	
3:00pm	Mixed		PNG	6	Samoa	3

Tuesday 8th July 2003

10:00am	Men's	Gr. 1	PNG	10	Samoa	5
	Mixed	Gr. 2	Fiji	9	Niue	2
	Mixed		Cook Islands	-	Bye	
11:00am	Men's	Gr. 1	Niue	7	Tuvalu	8
12:00pm	Men's	Gr. 1	Fiji	10	Tonga	5
	Men's		Tahiti	-	Bye	
	Mixed	Gr. 2	Cook Islands	11	Samoa	4
1:00pm	Men's	Gr. 1	PNG	15	Niue	6
2:00pm	Men's	Gr. 1	Tahiti	0	Samoa	14
	Mixed	Gr. 2	Fiji	7	PNG	4
	Mixed		Niue	-	Bye	
3:00pm	Men's	Gr. 1	Tonga	2	Tuvalu	5
			Fiji	-	Bye	

Wednesday 9th July 2003

9:00am	Men's	Gr. 1	Fiji	11	Tuvalu	1
	Men's	Gr. 2	Tahiti	4	Niue	13
10:00am	Mixed	Gr. 2	Niue	4	Samoa	5
11:00am	Men's	Gr. 1	PNG	22	Tahiti	0
	Men's	Gr. 2	Tonga	7	Niue	5
	Men's		Samoa	- Bye		
12:00pm	Mixed	Gr. 2	Cook Islands	7	PNG	7
	Mixed		Fiji	- Bye		
1:00pm	Men's	Gr. 1	Fiji	12	Samoa	6
	Men's	Gr. 2	PNG	12	Tuvalu	4
2:00pm	Mixed	Gr. 2	Fiji	7	Samoa	3
3:00pm	Mixed	Gr. 1	Cook Islands	9	Niue	4
	Mixed		PNG	- Bye		
	Men's	Gr. 2	Tahiti	1	Tonga	21
4:00pm	Men's	Gr. 1	Tuvalu	5	Samoa	6
	Men's	Gr. 2	Fiji	13	Niue	3
	Men's		Tonga	- Bye		

Thursday 10th July 2003**Major Semi Final**

8:00am	Men's	Gr. 1	PNG	6	Fiji	5
	Mixed	Gr. 2	Cook Islands	8	Fiji	4

Minor Semi Final

9:00am	Men's	Gr. 1	Samoa	10	Tuvalu	5
	Mixed	Gr. 2	PNG	8	Niue	6

Playoff 7th

10:00am	Men's	Gr. 1	Niue	9	Tahiti	3
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Bronze Medal

12:00pm	Men's	Gr. 1	Fiji	11	Samoa	2
	Mixed	Gr. 2	Fiji	8	PNG	5

Playoff 5th/6th

1:00pm	Men's	Gr. 1	Niue	won	Tonga	for
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Playoff 4th/5th

1:00pm	Mixed	Gr. 2	Samoa	8	Niue	4
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Gold Medal

2:00pm	Mixed	Gr. 1	Cook Islands	8	Fiji	9
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Gold Medal

3:00pm	Men's	Gr. 1	PNG	5	Fiji	6
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RESULTS - MENS OPEN

Competition Table

After Preliminary Rounds		P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts	Diff	Ave
1	Papua New Guinea	6	6	0		72	22	18	50	3.27
2	Fiji	6	5	1		72	22	16	50	3.27
3	Samoa	6	4	2		37	28	14	9	1.32
4	Tuvalu	6	3	3		33	39	12	-6	0.85
5	Tonga	6	2	4		37	31	10	6	1.19
6	Niue	6	1	5		34	49	8	-15	0.69
7	Tahiti	6	0	6		6	100	6	-94	0.06
TOTALS		42	21	21	0	291	291		0	

Semi Final:	PNG	6	d	Fiji	5
	Samoa	10	d	Tuvalu	5
Playoff 7th	Niue	9	d	Tahiti	3
Playoff 5th/6th	Niue	won		Tonga	Forfeited
Bronze Final:	Fiji	11	d	Samoa	2
Grand Final:	Fiji	5	d	PNG	4

Each Nations Results

Fiji - 1st				
1	Papua New Guinea	Lost	6	7
2	Tahiti	Won	20	0
3	Tonga	Won	10	5
4	Tuvalu	Won	11	1
5	Samoa	Won	12	6
6	Niue	Won	13	3
MS	Papua New Guinea	Lost	5	6
PF	Samoa	Won	11	2
F	Papua New Guinea	Won	6	5
MVP - Sakeasi Yabia			94	35

Papua New Guinea - 2nd				
1	Fiji	Won	7	6
2	Tonga	Won	6	1
3	Samoa	Won	10	5
4	Niue	Won	15	6
5	Tahiti	Won	22	0
6	Tuvalu	Won	12	4
MS	Fiji	Won	6	5
F	Fiji	Lost	5	6
MVP - Waluka Luke Yambu			83	33

Samoa - 3rd				
1	Tonga	Won	4	1
2	Niue	Won	2	0
3	Papua New Guinea	Lost	5	10
4	Tahiti	Won	14	0
5	Fiji	Lost	6	12
6	Tuvalu	Won	6	5
PO	Tuvalu	Won	10	5
PO	Fiji	Lost	2	11
MVP - Herbert Aiati			49	44

Tuvalu - 4th				
1	Tahiti	Won	10	1
2	Niue	Won	8	7
3	Tonga	Won	5	2
4	Fiji	Lost	1	11
5	Papua New Guinea	Lost	4	12
6	Samoa	Lost	5	6
7				
PO	Samoa	Lost	5	10
MVP -			38	49

RESULTS - MENS OPEN

Niue - 5th				
1	Samoa	Lost	0	2
2	Tuvalu	Lost	7	8
3	Papua New Guinea	Lost	6	15
4	Tahiti	Won	13	4
5	Tonga	Lost	5	7
6	Fiji	Lost	3	13
PO	Tahiti	Won	9	3
PO	Tonga	Won	won	for
MVP -			43	52

Tonga - 6th				
1	Samoa	Lost	1	4
2	Papua New Guinea	Lost	1	6
3	Fiji	Lost	5	10
4	Tuvalu	Lost	2	5
5	Niue	Won	7	5
6	Tahiti	Won	21	1
7				
PO	Niue	Lost	for	won
MVP - Sione Matoni 'Aho			37	31

Tahiti - 7th				
1	Tuvalu	Lost	1	10
2	Fiji	Lost	0	20
3	Samoa	Lost	0	14
4	Niue	Lost	4	13
5	Papua New Guinea	Lost	0	22
6	Tonga	Lost	1	21
PO	Niue	Lost	3	9
MVP -			9	109

Competition Table - Including Finals Results

	P	W	L	D	F	A	PTS	AVE
Fiji	9	7	2		94	35	23	2.69
Niue	8	3	5		43	52	14	0.83
Papua New Guinea	8	7	1		83	33	22	2.52
Samoa	8	5	3		49	44	18	1.11
Tahiti	7		7		9	109	7	0.08
Tonga	7	2	5		37	31	11	1.19
Tuvalu	7	3	4		38	49	13	0.78
TOTALS	54	27	27	0	353	353		

Highest Winning Score:

22-0; Papua New Guinea v Tahiti

Longest Winning Streak:

7 games; Papua New Guinea

Most Touchdowns:

15; Sakeasi Yabia (Fiji)

Most Scored in a game:

7; Sakeasi Yabia (Fiji)

Player of the Series:

Waluka Luke Yambu (Papua New Guinea)

RESULTS - MIXED OPEN

Competition Table

After Preliminary Rounds		P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts	Diff	Ave
1	Fiji	4	3	1		27	14	10	13	1.93
2	Cook Islands	4	3	0	1	32	19	11	13	1.68
3	Niue	4	1	3		17	27	6	-10	0.63
4	Samoa	4	1	3		15	28	6	-13	0.54
5	Papua New Guinea	4	1	2	1	21	24	7	-3	0.88
TOTALS		20	9	9	2	112	112		0	

Semi Final:	Cook Islands	8	d	Fiji	4
	PNG	8	d	Niue	6
Playoff 4th/5th	Samoa	8	d	Nue	4
Bronze Final:	Fiji	8	d	PNG	5
Grand Final:	Fiji	5	d	PNG	4

Each Nations Results

Fiji - 1st				
1	Cook Islands	Lost	4	5
2	Niue	Won	9	2
3	Papua New Guinea	Won	7	4
4	Samoa	Won	7	3
MS	Cook Islands	Lost	4	8
PF	Papua New Guinea	Won	8	5
F	Cook Islands	Won	9	8
MVP - Meresita Koro			48	35

Cook Islands - 2nd				
1	Fiji	Won	5	4
2	Samoa	Won	11	4
3	Papua New Guinea	Drew	7	7
4	Niue	Won	9	4
MS	Fiji	Won	8	4
F	Fiji	Lost	8	9
MVP - Anna Raina			48	32

Papua New Guinea - 3rd				
1	Niue	Lost	4	7
2	Samoa	Won	6	3
3	Fiji	Lost	4	7
4	Cook Islands	Drew	7	7
PF	Niue	Won	8	6
PO	Fiji	Lost	5	8
MVP - Anna Maria Seeto			34	38

Samoa - 4th				
1	Papua New Guinea	Lost	3	6
2	Cook Islands	Lost	4	11
3	Niue	Won	5	4
4	Fiji	Lost	3	7
PO	Niue	Won	8	4
MVP - Paulo Fagasau			23	32

Niue - 5th				
1	Papua New Guinea	Won	7	4
2	Fiji	Lost	2	9
3	Samoa	Lost	4	5
4	Cook Islands	Lost	4	9
PO	Papua New Guinea	Lost	6	8
PO	Samoa	Lost	4	8
MVP -			27	43

RESULTS - MIXED OPEN

Competition Table - Including Finals Results

	P	W	L	D	F	A	PTS	AVE
Cook Islands	6	4	1	1	48	32	15	1.50
Fiji	7	5	2		48	35	17	1.37
Niue	6	1	5		27	43	8	0.63
Papua New Guinea	6	2	3	1	34	38	11	0.89
Samoa	5	2	3		23	32	9	0.72
TOTALS	30	14	14	2	180	180		

Highest Winning Score:

11-4; Cook Islands v Samoa

Longest Winning Streak:

5 games; Cook Islands

Most Touchdowns:

10; Jonathan Ho (Fiji)

Most Scored in a game:

3; Terry Piri (Cook Islands)
 3; Samuel Toroma (Cook Islands)
 3; David Wichman (Cook Islands)
 3; Jonathan Ho (Fiji)
 3; Ratu Sakiusa Siqila (Fiji)
 3; Poimatagi Tafatu Okesene (Niue)
 3; Kristofferson Lakata Sionetama (Niue)
 3; Oblix Ikitule (Niue)
 3; Glen Mark (PNG)
 3; Janadabing Geibob (PNG)
 3; Paul Faqasau (Samoa)

TOUCHDOWNS SCORED - MENS OPEN

FIJI + 6 missing	88	NIUE	43	PAPUA NEW GUINEA	83
Sakeasi Yabia	15	Latoa Latoa	8	Robin Taleng	10
Sakiusa Tora	10	Maurice Tamate	7	Johannes Dame	9
Mesake Tikotani	7	John Talagi	5	Marriat John	9
Rusiate Uluimoala	7	Richard Tafatu-Hipa	4	Waluka Yambu	9
Waisake Vakatawa	7	Farran Hipa	3	Charles Seeto	8
Charles Cleary	6	Kristian Talepita	3	Kelly Dandlang Kissing	6
Lemeki Sevutia	6	Jacob Heka	2	Oddie Mark	6
Peni Veitogavi	6	Konekuti Magatogia	2	Chris Karl	5
Jone Tuwai	5	Waimanu Pulu	2	Ari Peters	4
Simione Bainivalu	5	Tokitoga Talagi	2	Norman Steven	4
Christopher Bulatiko	4	Haden Talagi	2	Ian Yaro	4
Isireli Finau	4	Krypton Okesene	1	Alois Mark	2
Penjueli Konrote	3	Francis Talepita	1	<i>Missing</i>	<i>7</i>
Maleli Uluimoala	2	Wesley Mokoia	1		
Jone Tawaketini	1				
Most Touchdowns in one game		Most Touchdowns in one game		Most Touchdowns in one game	
<i>Sakeasi Yabia - 7 against Tahiti</i>		<i>Maurice Tamate - 3 against Tahiti</i>		<i>Five players - 4 against various teams</i>	

SAMOA	49	TAHITI	9	TONGA	37
Anesi Tasilimu	13	Vetea Araipu	3	Matoni 'Aho	7
Herbert Aati	11	Heimana Ah-Min	1	Fakaaofilani Kaifoto	7
Ameperosa Roma	6	Jerome Cazenave	1	Kueli Lolohea	4
Harry Mila	4	David Mairau	1	Tonga Vakalahi	4
Afa Lesa	3	Teave Orbeck	1	Tevita Fihaki	3
Talafou Levale	3	Rene Rai	1	Paula Tu'Ifua	3
Iosefa Iosefa	2	Tihoti Tamarono	1	Sosaia Hufanga	2
Douglas Peters	2			Uatesoni Mafi	2
Faigame Tevita	2			Toutai Maile	2
Mark Tapusoa	1			Samu Tota'U	2
Vise Ah Yek	1			Sione Matakaiongo	1
Eti Ah Yek	1				
Most Touchdowns in one game		Most Touchdowns in one game		Most Touchdowns in one game	
<i>Herbert Aati - 5 against Tahiti</i>		<i>Each scorer - 1 against various teams</i>		<i>Kaifoto, Vakalahi & Fihaki - 3 against Tahiti</i>	

TUVALU	38
Trevor Tuinanumea	6
Davis Lopati	4
Felo Nai	4
Foekatea Elisala	3
Taufia Patolo	2
Pasili Peniteti	2
Foualiki Sogivalu	2
Tiaoti Maatia	1
Tulafono Tapu	1
Navosa Ioata	1
Uatea Salesa	1
Saifoloi Talesi	1
<i>Missing</i>	<i>10</i>
Most Touchdowns in one game	
<i>Four players - 2 against various teams</i>	

TOUCHDOWNS SCORED - MIXED OPEN

COOK ISLANDS	48	FIJI	48	NIUE	27
Terry Piri	9	Jonathan Ho	10	Poimatagi Tafatu Okesene	6
Samuel Toroma	9	Joji Tamani	7	Kristofferson Lakata Sionetam	4
Anna Raina	5	Tevita Matai	4	Oblix Ikitule	4
Evelyn Vaile	5	Sereana Nasome	4	Talala J. Tafolua Lio	2
David Wichman	5	Tanya Vatubua	4	Vanessa Marsh	2
Julieanne Westrupp	4	Ratu Sakiusa Siqila	3	Richard Siataga	2
Walter Tangata	3	Tevita Mau	3	Roderick Tagelagi	2
Conrad Piri	2	Merewairita Sokovata	3	Frederick Folau	1
Kiliona Samania	2	Anaseini Tikotani	3	Michelle Marsh	1
Kapi Anguna	1	Eroni Balenivalu	2	Waimaria Pasene	1
Rangitauratua Apera	1	Lois Katonivualiku	2	Hivi Puheke	1
Mark Brown	1	Tomasi Tiko	2	Ebony Pulu	1
P Tangata	1	Siteri Rasousou	1		
Most Touchdowns in one game		Most Touchdowns in one game		Most Touchdowns in one game	
<i>Pini, Toroma & Wichman - 3 against Samoa & Niue</i>		<i>Ho & Siqila - 3 against PNG & Cook Islands</i>		<i>Okesene, Sionetan & Ikitule -3- against various teams</i>	

PAPUA NEW GUINEA	34
Glen Mark	8
Ivan Virani	7
Janadabing Geibob	6
Joyce Downes	3
Angela Wom	3
Elizabeth Melkwar	2
Anna Seeto	2
Laura Andrew	1
Ralph Kaina	1
Roger Solala	1
Most Touchdowns in one game	
<i>Mark & Geibob - 3 against Niue & Samoa</i>	

SAMOA	23
Paul Fagasau	9
Ollie Pogi	4
Ah Ki Reupena	2
Candice Apelu	1
Filoi Eneliko	1
Poto Lio	1
Clint Peters	1
Raymond Pogi	1
Margaret Sala	1
Tasmania Samuelu	1
Ete Teo	1
Most Touchdowns in one game	
<i>Paul Fagasau - 3 against Niue</i>	

EACH NATIONS STATISTICS

COOK ISLANDS	P	W	L	D	F	A
Men	0					
Mixed	6	4	1	1	48	32
	6	4	1	1	48	32

FIJI	P	W	L	D	F	A
Men	9	7	2		89	32
Mixed	7	5	2		48	35
	16	12	4	0	137	67

NIUE	P	W	L	D	F	A
Men	8	3	5		43	52
Mixed	6	1	5		27	43
	14	4	10	0	70	95

PAPUA NEW GUINEA	W	L	D	F	A	
Men	8	7	1		83	33
Mixed	6	2	3	1	34	38
	14	9	4	1	117	71

SAMOA	P	W	L	D	F	A
Men	8	5	3		46	39
Mixed	5	2	3		23	32
	13	7	6	0	69	71

TAHITI	P	W	L	D	F	A
Men	7		7		9	109
Mixed	0					
	7	0	7	0	9	109

TONGA	P	W	L	D	F	A
Men	7	2	5		37	31
Mixed	0					
	7	2	5	0	37	31

TUVALU	P	W	L	D	F	A
Men	7	3	4		38	49
Mixed	0					
	7	3	4	0	38	49

Final Score Card

All Divisions	P	W	L	D	F	A	AVE
Cook Islands	6	4	1	1	48	32	1.50
Fiji	16	12	4	0	137	67	2.04
Niue	14	4	10	0	70	95	0.74
Papua New Guinea	14	9	4	1	117	71	1.65
Samoa	13	7	6	0	69	71	0.97
Tahiti	7	0	7	0	9	109	0.08
Tonga	7	2	5	0	37	31	1.19
Tuvalu	7	3	4	0	38	49	0.78
TOTALS	84	41	41	2	525	525	

South Pacific Champions 2003

Rankings	M	Mx	#
1 Fiji	10	8	18
2 Papua New Guinea	8	4	12
3 Samoa	6	3	9
4 Cook Islands	-	6	6
5 Tuvalu	5	-	5
6 Niue	3	1	4
7 Tonga	2	-	2
8 Tahiti	1	-	1

RECORDS - 2003 - RECORDS

Biggest Win	Team	Score	Round	Opponent
Mens Open	PNG	22-0	Rd. 5	Tahiti
Mixed Open	Cook Islands	11-4	Rd. 2	Samoa

Best Attack - excluding finals		Score	Ave.
Mens Open	PNG & Fiji	72	12.0
Mixed Open	Cook Islands	32	10.7

Best Attack - including finals		Score	Ave.
Mens Open	Fiji	94	10.4
Mixed Open	Cook Islands	48	8.0

Best Defense - excluding finals		Score	Ave.
Mens Open	PNG & Fiji	22	3.67
Mixed Open	Fiji	14	3.50

Best Defense - including finals		Score	Ave.
Mens Open	Fiji	35	3.89
Mixed Open	Fiji	35	5.00

Best F & A - excluding finals		Score	Ave.
Mens Open	PNG & Fiji	72-22	3.27
Mixed Open	Fiji	27-14	1.93

Best F & A - including finals		Score	Ave.
Mens Open	Fiji	94-35	2.69
Mixed Open	Cook Islands	48-32	1.50

Divisions	Players of the Series
Men	Waluka Luke Yambu - PNG
Mixed	Merelesita Koro - Fiji

Longest Winning Streak - 2003

Cook Islands	Mixed	5 games	Rd. 1 to Semis
Fiji	Men	5 games	Rd. 2 to Rd. 6
Niue	Men	2 games	Play Off Series
Papua New Guinea	Men	7 games	Rd. 1 to Semis
Samoa	Men	2 games	Various Rounds
Tahiti	Men	No win recorded yet	
Tonga	Men	2 games	Rd. 5 to Rd. 6
Tuvalu	Men	3 games	Rd. 1 to Rd. 3

Leading Touchdown Scorers - Each Nation

Cook Islands	9	Terry Piri - Mixed
	9	Samuel Toroma - Mixed
Fiji	15	Sakeasi Yabia - Men
Niue	8	Latoa Latoa - Men
Papua New Guinea	10	Robin Taleng - Men
Samoa	13	Anesi Tasilimu - Men
Tahiti	3	Vetea Araipu - Men
Tonga	7	Matoni 'Aho - Men
Tuvalu	6	Trevor Tuinanumea - Men

RECORDS - 2003 - RECORDS

Most Touchdowns in one game - Each Nation

Cook Islands	3	Pini, Toroma & Wichman - Mixed	v	Samoa & Niue
Fiji	7	Sakeasi Yabia - Men	v	Tahiti
Niue	3	By four players - Men /Mix	v	various teams
Papua New Guinea	4	By five players - Men	v	various teams
Samoa	5	Herbert Aati - Men	v	Tahiti
Tahiti	1	By each scorer	v	various teams
Tonga	3	Kaifoto, Vakalahi & Fihaki - Men	v	Tahiti
Tuvalu	2	By four players - Men	v	various teams

Leading Touchdown Scorers

Sakeasi Yabia	Fiji	Men	15
Anesi Tasilimu	Samoa	Men	13
Herbert Aati	Samoa	Men	11
Sakiusa Tora	Fiji	Men	10
Jonathan Ho	Fiji	Mixed	10
Robin Taleng	PNG	Men	10
Terry Piri	Cook Islands	Mixed	9
Samuel Toroma	Cook Islands	Mixed	9
Johannes Dame	PNG	Men	9
Marriat John	PNG	Men	9
Waluka Yambu	PNG	Men	9
Paul Fagasau	Samoa	Mixed	9
Latoa Latoa	Niue	Men	8
Glen Mark	PNG	Mixed	8
Charles Seeto	PNG	Men	8